

**Office of Planning, Washington, DC
2010 Summer Internship Work Plan**

Area of Specialization:	Architecture, Landscape Architecture, or Urban Design
Work Topic:	Capitol View Plane Study and the Chinatown Public Realm Master Plan
Deliverables:	Reports for external publication, design studies
Application Submission Deadline:	Friday, April 2, 2010
Dates of Tnternship:	May - August, 2010 (12 Weeks)
Minimum Hours/Week:	40 hours/week
Compensation:	This is an unpaid internship. OP is willing to host students enrolled in an internship program for academic credit. Please provide required documents for program.
Supervisor:	Patricia Zingsheim/Thor Nelson

Work Description:

The Urban Design Intern will assist the Revitalization and Design Division in its work to advance the quality design and sustainability in the District and through planning for central Washington and public space, sustainability, and design programs for the District of Columbia. To support the Division's mission the intern will be responsible for a variety of general tasks on varied projects as well as work on two focused projects.

General Tasks

General job tasks for this position include but are not limited to: field surveys and photography of existing site conditions, drafting and computer modeling, production of renderings and presentation drawings, production written reports and presentations, and research of case studies and best practices.

Capitol View Plane Study

The Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital calls for the development of view plane regulations as part of the Zoning Update. Action UD-1.2-B, Creating View Plane Regulations, calls for the Office of Planning to conduct a review of desirable views, creating view plane diagrams, affording analysis of desired possibilities, and developing zoning regulations accordingly.

Tasks:

- Conduct field observations and document existing key views of the Capitol
- Document and key views through mapping and urban design analysis
- Research case studies for view plane regulations of key landmarks in other capital cities

Chinatown Public Realm Master Plan

The Chinatown Cultural Development Strategy recommends that a comprehensive plan for Chinatown's public realm be created to guide government agencies and property owners on what kinds of improvements should be made to the streetscape and public spaces of Chinatown. The *Chinatown Public Realm Master Plan* would provide direction on a broad set of issues including: identifying locations for public art, or commemorative elements; designating loading and building access locations; specifying light fixtures, street furniture (such as benches), and paving; identifying where we can widen sidewalks to provide more space for pedestrians and outdoor display of store merchandise; designating where new trees, plantings, street signage, and street lightings should go; and specifying what parking and curbside restrictions should be in place.

Tasks:

- Participate in field surveys and documentation of public space
- Document existing conditions through mapping and analytical diagrams
- Assist in producing design studies for potential redesign of public spaces and streets
- Assist in organizing and staffing a design charrette
- Research best practice and case studies for public space design and management

If you are interested in this internship experience, you must complete and submit internship application no later than Friday, April 2, 2010. Resumes will not be accepted without a completed application. **PLEASE NOTE: Applications will not be accepted after Friday, April 2, 2010.**

Application can be found at:

<http://planning.dc.gov/planning/frames.asp?doc=/planning/lib/planning/internship/blankopinternapplication.pdf>

Be sure to note on your application that you are interested in the "Capitol View Plane Study and the Chinatown Public Realm Master Plan" Internship.